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**Advisory Action**

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Examiner

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THE REPLY FILED 15 August 2002 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

**PERIOD FOR REPLY** [check either a) or b)]

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.
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Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☐ A Notice of Appeal was filed on \_\_\_\_\_. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
  - (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
  - (c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
  - (d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: \_\_\_\_\_

3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_\_\_\_\_.
4. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☐ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☒ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☐ will not be entered or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: 1-5.Claim(s) objected to: none.Claim(s) rejected: 6-15.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: \_\_\_\_\_.

8. ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The Applicant's arguments do not overcome the rejections because the cited prior art fully discloses the claimed invention. Yaguchi teaches that a loading unit (i.e., the external storage device 6 in fig. 6) that receives a detachable storage medium (col. 12, lines 42-46), the detachable storage medium having stored therein image data and sheet processing information (col. 12, lines 56-58; note: file data would include image data and sheet processing information from reader portion 1; and the mark sheet is also called sheet processing information which is described in col. 16, line 65 to col. 17, line 1); and a controller (i.e., CPU 516) that controls the printer such that the image is printed on the recording sheet in accordance with the sheet processing information stored in the detachable storage medium loaded in the loading unit (col. 17, lines 7-27). Although Yaguchi does not teach sheet processing information including the setting whether double-sided or single-sided printing of the image, such limitations, which are well known in the prior art, are the functions that are performed in the conventional printer. Such limitations would have been obvious in the printing system of Yaguchi. Since CPU 516 of Yaguchi receives a command for retrieving/printing data in data from external storage device (col. 13, lines 13-18) and printing setting for print out the image to the printer (col. 13, lines 34-37), Yaguchi would include the optional setting for double-sided or single-sided printing of the image. Furthermore, Takayanagi teaches the image data file, stored in the hard disk, including image data and the attribute information, which has printing options, is performed by the printer (col. 6, lines 21-40).